

Weekly Weather Crop Report

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There were 6 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Soil moisture was rated 19 percent short, 75 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. Pasture was rated 89 percent of normal. The main farm activities were hay harvest, corn silage harvest, and spraying cotton.

Crop Progress In Percentages					Crop Conditions In Percentages				
Crop	Event	1994	1993	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	Dough	99	91	91					
	Dent	81	67	74					
	Mature	37	27	41			12	54	34
	Harvested	4	10	8					
	Silage Harvested	50	45	52					
Cotton	Open Bolls	6	3	4		2	41	53	4
Rice	Heading	94	56	69			24	60	16
	Mature	14	7	10					
Sorghum	Heading	100	87	90					
	Turning Color	74	64	60					
	Mature	21	16	25			3	87	10
	Harvested	4	0	1					
	Silage Harvested	15	27	35					
Soybeans	Blooming	94	76	74					
	Setting Pods	72	45	48		3	14	61	22
	Turning Color	4	3	4					
Hay	Harvested	80	78	73					
Peaches	Harvested	97	95	97					
Sweetpotatoes	Harvested	10	2	5			81	19	
Watermelons	Harvested	90	76	86		10	87	3	
Pecans					5	18	50	23	4
Livestock							10	76	14

County Agent Comments

"Farmers are cleaning up turn rows and getting harvest equipment ready. Insects are still light. Some farmers are watering since we have not gotten any rain."

— Don Respass, Quitman County

"Low to moderate pressure from insects in cotton. Most cotton in the county has begun to cut out. Looks like an early harvest is on the way."

— Steve Richardson, Tate County

"This was an excellent week for farmers in Prentiss County weather-wise. Hay was harvested without rain. Cotton fruiting was increased by the favorable temperatures. We are seeing Beet armyworms in some cotton fields. Weeds are a problem in early planted soybeans where herbicides were not effective."

— Dalton G. Garner, Prentiss County

"Moist, humid conditions during growing season have caused flare-ups of wilts in cotton. Insect pressure is increasing. The producers are making tough decisions about expensive control measures."

— Tim W. Pepper, Yazoo County

"Aerial web blight showing up in soybean fields. Some treatments are being applied. We need more sun and dry conditions. Boll rot is still in cotton, but increase slowed down because we have had more sun and less rain. Overall crops look pretty good."

— Bill Maily, Hinds County

"Beef producers are uncertain about planting winter grazing this year. Falling beef prices and the possibility of ryegrass seed costing up to \$40.00 per cwt. is causing great concern."

— Roger D. Jones, Jones County

Weather Summary From 08/07/94 to 08/13/94 For Mississippi

District/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature			Ave Pan Evap
	Max	Min	Ave	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Ave	
1. Upper Delta													
Tunica	95	56	78	80	-1.9	.00	-.63	0	2.81	101	76	89	M
Clarksdale	92	62	79	81	-1.9	.00	-.63	0	2.70	94	61	84	.21
Cleveland	91	62	78	82	-3.3	.00	-.68	0	3.91				
Extreme/Average	95	56	78	81	-2.4	.00	-.65	0	3.14	101	61	87	.21
2. North-Central													
Memphis	95	64	82	82	.1	.00	-.77	0	2.28				
Holly Springs	92	56	77	78	-1.1	.00	-.83	0	3.40	95	72	84	.21
Oxford	95	61	78	79	-.7	.00	-.70	0	3.66				
Extreme/Average	95	56	79	80	-.6	.00	-.77	0	3.11	95	72	84	.21
3. Northeast													
Corinth	94	59	79	79	-.5	.00	-.63	0	4.86				
Iuka	89	56	74	79	-5.2	.00	-.70	0	8.12				
Booneville	90	61	77	79	-1.5	.01	-.69	1	3.57				
Pontotoc	92	59	78	79	-1.1	.00	-.61	0	3.32	96	71	83	.22
Tupelo	92	59	78	80	-1.9	.00	-.69	0	5.05				
Verona	93	59	78	80	-2.0	.00	-.69	0	6.57	94	70	83	.21
Extreme/Average	94	56	77	79	-2.0	.00	-.67	0	5.25	96	70	83	.22
4. Lower Delta													
Stoneville	96	64	80	81	-.6	.01	-.50	1	5.70	91	71	82	.20
Greenwood	97	62	82	81	.6	.00	-.58	0	5.26				
Belzoni	94	62	80	81	-1.4	.00	-.75	0	5.76	102	79	91	
Rolling Fork	94	64	80	81	-.8	.00	-.60	0	4.22	101	84	93	.20
Yazoo City	94	63	80	82	-1.4	.00	-.74	0	3.83				
Extreme/Average	97	62	80	81	-.7	.00	-.63	0	4.95	102	71	89	.20
5. Central													
Winona	91	56	76	78	-2.5	.00	-.77	0	3.79				
Carthage	92	59	78	81	-2.9	.37	-.44	1	4.45				
Jackson	92	63	79	81	-2.0	1.16	.30	3	5.13				
Extreme/Average	92	56	78	80	-2.5	.51	-.30	1	4.46				
6. East-Central													
State University	100	60	76	81	-4.1	.51	-.27	1	3.08	88	74	81	.20
Columbus	94	65	81	81	.7	.01	-.86	1	7.51				
Brooksville	94	63	80	81	-.8	.00	-.77	0	2.55				
Extreme/Average	100	60	79	81	-1.4	.17	-.63	1	4.38	88	74	81	.20
7. Southwest													
Vicksburg	91	66	79	81	-1.8	.00	-.68	0	4.25				
Oakley	93	62	78	80	-2.0	.04	-.77	1	3.82	99	74	86	
Crystal Springs	92	65	81	80	1.0	.58	-.48	2	2.36	95	71	78	
Alcorn				81		M	M	M	M				
Natchez	89	67	78	82	-3.1	.41	-.50	4	3.83				
Extreme/Average	93	62	79	81	-1.5	.26	-.61	2	3.57	99	71	82	
8. South-Central													
McComb	92	66	80	80	-.2	.00	-1.19	0	3.09				
Columbia	97	66	80	81	-1.0	.00	-1.33	0	2.70				
Extreme/Average	97	66	80	81	-.6	.00	-1.26	0	2.90				
9. Southeast													
Newton	92	62	78	80	-1.5	.00	-.95	0	1.69	91	71	80	.23
Meridian	95	67	81	81	.4	.00	-.83	0	3.04				
Laurel	91	67	79	81	-1.4	.00	-1.07	0	1.77				
Hattiesburg	92	68	81	82	-.9	.00	-1.25	0	1.26				
Beaumont	95	64	79	82	-2.4	.00	-1.08	0	1.45	102	76	87	
Extreme/Average	95	62	80	81	-1.2	.00	-1.04	0	1.84	102	71	84	.23
10. Coastal													
Poplarville	93	68	80	81	-.6	.00	-1.36	0	2.71	102	80	91	.27
Bay St. Louis	93	67	80	81	-1.0	.00	-1.26	0	9.93				
Gulfport	93	70	81	82	-1.2	.00	-1.30	0	4.85				
Biloxi	92	71	81	82	-.8	.00	-1.51	0	6.62				
Pascagoula	90	69	78	82	-3.4	.00	-1.61	0	2.22				
Extreme/Average	93	67	80	82	-1.4	.00	-1.41	0	5.27	102	80	91	.27
State Averages			79	81	-1.6	.08	-.81		4.03			85	.22
State Extremes					Location					Date			
Greatest one day precipitation					Jackson					08/08/94			
Greatest weekly precipitation					Jackson								
Maximum air temperature					State University					8/8/94			
Minimum air temperature					Holly Springs					08/07/94			
Maximum soil temperature					Beaumont					8/13/94			
Minimum soil temperature					Clarksdale					08/07/94			
Greatest one day pan evaporation					Poplarville					8/10/94			
Greatest weekly pan evaporation					Poplarville								

Abbreviations:

Max = Maximum
 Min = Minimum
 Ave = Average
 Norm = Normal
 DFN = Departure From Normal
 Evap = Evaporation
 M = Missing

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